

Interview Summary

Application No.
09/896,116

Applicant(s)
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Examiner
Charles Stewart

Art Unit
2853

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Charles Stewart

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(2) David Sumy

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Date of Interview Feb 12, 2003

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☒ Personal [copy is given to 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: 1-30

Identification of prior art discussed:

Barinaga et al. (US 5,777,646). Childers et al. (US 6,375,301)

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Applicant argues that the prior art fails to teach or suggest the claimed invention such as "a maintenance cartridge" and/or "an outward form by which a detection system of a recording apparatus can identify the maintenance cartridge". The above descriptions that provide an explanation with respect to the claims, are not intended to limit the scope of the claims as written. The Examiner offered suggestions to clarify the independent claims. The Examiner will conduct an updated search in order to push forward for the advance prosecution of Applicant's application.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached



Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

Examiner's signature, if required